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A two-car accident in front of Cook Chevrolet last Friday afternoon resulted in two damaged cars but no personal injuries. Accident reports indicate Billy Sanders was driving North on the Troy Highway when a car driven by Ralph Curtis Nelson of New Richey, Florida, pulled out from

Cook Chevrolet and the two autos collided. Elba policeman James Spurlin investigated the accident. Officer Pete Daugherty was on the scene also.



Miss Sherrie Kennett, left, and Miss Karen Grider stretch to show off a six foot rattlesnake they found Sunday afternoon while playing in the woods near Miss Grider's home on Highland Drive. The big snake had 12 rattlers, which Karen instructed her dad to cut off and save. Decling

the death blow to the big snake was Morgan Morrow, who lives across the street. He killed the snake with his trusty 22 rifle. According to reports, there were two very excited young ladies headed for the house when the snake was first found!

Car Tags Now
On Sale

All kinds of licenses are now due, and the Elba Probate Office reminds citizens of dates to purchase them. Car tags may be bought beginning yesterday (October 1) and through November 15. Hunting and fishing licenses are on sale, business licenses may be bought during the month of October only.

The Probate Office will be open from 8:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday, including the noon hour, during the months of October and November. They will also be open 8:00 - 12:00 on Saturdays.

Dan Presley
Wins National
Award

Dan Presley, Coffee County Extension Agent, has received the Distinguished Service Award. This award, given in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was presented by the National Association of County Agricultural Agents.

Presley was chosen for his record of accomplishment and exceptional service to people in the county he serves. He began his career in extension eleven years ago in Tallapoosa County, and has been in Coffee County since 1960.

He has been extension farm agent in charge of 4-H Club work for ten years. A native of Opp, Presley holds two degrees from Auburn University - the BS degree in animal husbandry, and the Master of Agriculture degree.

BAND BOOSTERS
TO MEET NEXT
TUESDAY NIGHT

The Elba Band Boosters Club will meet Tuesday, October 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the band room of the Elba High School.

Plans are being finalized for the upcoming marching contest in Gulfport, Mississippi, on October 18, and all parents are urged to attend. Also, plans for the annual band dance in December will be discussed.

October Is
Shot Month

October has been designated Immunization Action Month for the third consecutive year, growing out of a cooperative effort among organized medicine, state and local health departments, government, industry and volunteer organizations.

For additional information, contact your family physician or county health department.

Drinking Drivers
Cause Half Deaths

In the hands of a drinking driver, a car becomes a deadly weapon, said Colonel E. C. Dohard, State Department of Public Safety Director.

"Driving while drinking is a factor in about half the fatal traffic accidents," State Troopers made 735 arrests for driving while intoxicated during the month of August, as shown by figures released by Dohard. The total number of arrests for this offense since the beginning of 1975 is 5,517.

"The drinking driver not only endangers his own life, but also the lives of every other person on the highway," Dohard said. "If you are drinking, do not get behind the wheel of a car."

State Tells Of
Jobs Now Available

The Alabama State Personnel Department this week announced examinations for filling present vacancies in the following positions:

Clerk IV (\$8,757-\$11,128)
Assistant State Budget Officer (\$18,181-\$24,567)
State Budget Officer (\$30,656 - \$26,130)
Attorney II (\$13,231-\$18,018)
Parole and Probation Supervisor I (\$9,321 - \$11,492)

Full information and application forms may be obtained from the State Personnel Department at Montgomery or from any local office of the State Employment Service. Applications should be filed by October 14, 1975.

Cancer Detection
Program Available

Less than 20 percent of Alabama women had a Pap test in 1972, according to an estimate by the Alabama Department of Public Health. The Pap smear, a reliable and painless test, has been available for a number of years for the detection of cervical cancer.

If every woman over the age of 20 had an annual Pap test, virtually all deaths from cervical cancer could be prevented, points out Dr. Frederick S. Wolf, director of the State Health Department's Bureau of Preventable Diseases.

Obviously, the Pap test is successful only if it is administered at regular intervals, he adds.

Coffee County will begin participating in a new ongoing program for the detection of breast, cervical and uterine cancer. Pelvic examinations and laboratory tests will be available to all Coffee County women over 35 years of age through clinics sponsored by the Alabama Department of Public Health, the Coffee County Medical Society, the Coffee County Health Department and the Coffee County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

In a matter of minutes, a clinician takes a specimen by swabbing the cervix. The specimen of cells, sent to the laboratory for examination, may reveal a sign of cancer or a pre-cancerous condition before other symptoms appear. It is important that a woman not douche before having a Pap smear because the abnormal cells might be washed away.

For certain women over 35, the clinics may offer an additional test for the detection of uterine cancer when the medical history indicates the existence of certain "high risk factors": metrorrhagia (irregular bleeding), menopause, hormones (estrogen), birth control pills, familial cancer, past history of pelvic irradiation, obesity, diabetes, hypertension, use of IUD or Contraceptive, nulliparous (never been pregnant) and breast cancer. "The Pap test is a reliable method of detecting CERVICAL cancer," explains Dr. Wolf. "However, the Pap test cannot reach into the upper area of the UTERUS." A technique was recently developed which allows examination of cells from the upper part of the uterus, where cancer of the endometrium occurs. After the age of 35, the incidence of endometrial cancer increases dramatically.

Like the Pap test, the endometrial washing technique is usually painless and takes only a few minutes in the clinic or physician's office. The endometrial washing device gently washes cells out of the lining of the uterus, and they can be examined in the laboratory.

Handicapped Children Subject
Of Rotary Meeting Recently

Rotarian Robert Cannon was in charge of the program at the local Rotary Club recently and had as his guest Mrs. Renee Guthrie and Mr. Johnny

Vaughan. They spoke to the Rotarians on the newly funded program for handicapped children, started by the Coffee County Schools. (see related story inside)

Cub Scouts To Organize Tonight

There will be a meeting of cub scouts on Thursday, October 2, at 7:00 p.m. at the Elba Elementary School.

This group for children ages 8, 9 and 10, and is for the purpose of registration. Parents need to accompany their children.



Quilt Given Wallaces In Elba

Governor and Mrs. George Wallace visited the Elba Nursing Home on their recent trip to Elba during Cornelia

Wallace Day. The Nursing Home residents and staff presented Mrs. Wallace a quilt which they had made. Mrs. Perdue and Mrs. Wise made the presentation. The Wallace family visited with the residents while they were there.

COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ATTACKS HOLLEY'S SUPERINTENDENT BILL

The Coffee County School Board and Superintendent Jimmy Baker went public last Friday with their efforts to kill a bill introduced in the Alabama Legislature by Representative Jimmy Holley.

Holley introduced a bill earlier in the current session to place the county school superintendent back on the elective basis, rather than being appointed by the school board. A similar bill by former Representative Douglas Easters removed the office from the elective group about four years ago.

The measure introduced by Holley has passed the House of Representatives, but has been stopped in the Senate by Senator Crum Foshee's refusal to sign it out of committee. Foshee has said he made some commitments not to allow the bill to pass.

During a special press conference last Friday morning, the school board passed out copies of a news release concerning the proposed new law. Board member W. R. Fuller then read the release in its entirety, apparently for

the benefit of radio station tape recorders. Following the reading of the news release, the members of the press present were offered the chance to ask some questions.

One question asked by THE ELBA CLIPPER was, "Why this action when Senator Foshee has publicly stated the bill is dead?" Board chairman W. H. Taylor answered, "We understand that Mr. Holley will introduce this bill again next year."

Another question asked by THE CLIPPER was, "How do you justify your stand on this matter when again Senator Foshee has said the majority of the letters he has received on the matter favor elective superintendents?" After stating that this was the first time the board had heard this statement, the superintendent said, "This is probably because there has been no concerted effort on the part of the board to get letters and petitions signed."

The only other question asked of the board was also asked by THE ELBA

CLIPPER. It concerned some re-zoning between the New Hope and Zion Chapel schools, and the answer was that it was done, not to downgrade New Hope but to zone students into the school area they were already attending and riding on a county bus. From the explanation given, the re-zoning was purely a technicality and didn't cause any students to transfer.

The text of the news release is over ten pages long, and space does not permit reprinting it in its entirety; however, an effort will be made to relay the feelings of the school board.

The statement opened saying that in June, 1975, the Board, upon becoming aware of Holley's bill, decided to take a low-key approach in attempts to prevent the bill from passing.

The release also stated, "We have been unable to do so (reason with Holley) and because there have been misunderstandings concerning the position of the Board on the bill."

"...this release was made."

REV. W. R. FULLER

The Board says that during the time of the appointed

superintendent, the system has "improved in all areas of operation." Also, the Board feels that successful action by Holley "would result in a regressive program subjugated to individual and personal whims."

A lengthy explanation of the Board's version of the county's being replaced as principal at New Brockton was included in the release. The basic facts in that version correspond with the statement made by Holley at the time (impossible to be principal and representative at the same time). It also agreed with statements from Holley that he didn't plan to return to New Brockton as principal another year.

The news release related results of several meetings with Holley after the bill was introduced, including one between Holley and Superintendent Baker. In the report of this meeting, Baker reportedly asked Holley why he was taking this action, and was told it was a "personal decision of my own."

In the same exchange, Baker reportedly asked Holley, "Why should it be any different than

the superintendents in the two city systems?" Holley's answer, according to the news release was, "That's just a different thing altogether."

The news release stated, "Some parties were persuaded to sign the petition based on the promise that the present superintendent preferred the elected system. This is not true."

"Also, it read, 'Phone calls were made with suggestions that the present superintendent desired to close some schools, with the elected system this would not be possible. This, in fact, is not true.'"

The release continued to explain that the School Board was the only group with authority to close any school.

The school board contended that Holley had a political and personal interest in passage of the bill.

The board admitted that the results of some of its decisions "might not have been politically expedient" but they would bear the burden of being concerned with education of students rather than politics.

The release expressed appreciation to all people who support quality education, and to Senator Foshee "who stood for what he believed is fair and for the good of every child in Coffee County. Fuller also quoted Foshee as saying, 'I wish I had never heard of the bill, and hope I never see it again.'"

Representative Holley was shown a copy of the release by this newspaper, and said, "To avoid getting into a running battle in the press with people in Coffee County, I will simply say 'No Comment.'"

He also declined to comment on statements by board members that he planned to introduce the bill again next spring.

Senator Foshee was contacted at his office in Red Level and said he would look at the bill again next Spring but would like it better if the people in Coffee County were the method of selection or leaving it as it presently is.

SEE "SPEAKING OUT" FOR LETTERS RELATED TO THIS ARTICLE.

OCTOBER

POOR ORIGINAL

Bev Cox Gold Key Guide

Beverly Cox of Elba, a sophomore at Randolph - Macon Women's College, has begun her year as a Gold Key Guide, the official campus group organized to show visitors around the campus.

Wearing their distinctive gold keys, the Guides conduct campus tours, help interpret the college to visitors, and participate in other activities related to student recruitment. At the end of the year, they pass on the gold keys to their successors who will carry on the work.

Mrs. Cox is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cox, 348 N. Court Ave., Elba.

Local Marines Promoted

James Knight, Jr.

Marine Private First Class James D. Knight, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Knight, 2414 S. 1st St., Elba, Ala., has been promoted to the rank of private first class. He was promoted at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

He received the early promotion for his superior performance in all phases of the training, which emphasizes physical conditioning, discipline and teamwork.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church basement. Assisting were Miss Carla Palm, Mrs. Wallace Nunemkamp, Mrs. Robert Miller, Mrs. Warren Church, and Mrs. Elvin Shookard.

The bride, a 1972 graduate of Hastings High School, is a produce manager in Grand Island. After a wedding trip to the southwestern states, the couple is at home in the Grand Island.

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If mildew is a problem on your walls in your house, here's what to do. Mix four parts water to one part bleach. Sponge solution on the wall. Rub with a brush. This should control mildew on walls.

BULBS

Planting bulbs in the fall—late October and early November—will give best results. Bulbs time to develop good root system before extreme cold weather. Some bulbs that do well in our area are tulips, narcissus, Hyacinth, iris, and crocus.

Because our area has a limited amount of cold weather, you will have better luck buying bulbs soon and placing them in the hydrator of your refrigerator for about six weeks before planting.

Best first to do a little planning. Decide where you will plant your bulbs and how many bulbs you will need for a mass of color. Use them in front of shrubs, in annual and perennial beds, rock gardens or planters. Always plant the same varieties and colors in groups rather than stringing them out. And don't scatter them over the lawn.

To Martin D. Huffman, My family thought this recipe was so good that they wanted to share it with you. I immediately when I complain, and you are required to know how to prepare it again. The same by the 10th day of each month. Hope you are pleased. Thereafter a decree pro con-ed with this recipe. Fessio may be rendered against you.

This 5th day of September 1975. 9-11-44c

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1 medium eggplant
2 Tablespoons chopped onion
Butter
2 Tablespoons parsley
1/2 cup tomato soup
1 1/2 cups cooked rice
1 1/2 cups chopped cooked ham
Bread Crumbs

Peel and cut eggplant in sections. Cook in boiling water until tender. Brown the onion in butter. Add parsley and some eggplant and rice and ham. Mix place in casserole dish. Sprinkle with breaded crumbs. Bake until firm at 350 degrees.

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Mrs. Myrtle Young Mrs. Ann Beck

Pilot Club Has Guest

The Pilot Club had its regular meeting on September 25 at the Country Club. Mrs. Myrtle Young, 2414 S. 1st St., Elba, Ala., was the special guest.

Mrs. Young was present to review the club's activities and projects, observe during a business meeting, and present information on having a better club, and to refresh members on projects of the club. She was accompanied by a fellow pilot, Mrs. Jean Graham.

Following the invocation led by President Ann Beck, and the pledge to the flag, the 12 members and two visitors enjoyed a delicious meal. During the business session, each division coordinator gave a report of activities, including one from Agnes Wilson that letters of invitation were being sent to 16 prospective members.

Mrs. Young was presented with a certificate of appreciation for her contribution to the club. She was also presented with a certificate of appreciation for her contribution to the club.

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Elba Students

On Dean's List

Four students from the Elba area are among the 107 students named to the summer quarter Dean's List at Troy State University.

The names were released this week by Dr. W.T. Wilks, Vice President for Academic Affairs at TSU.

The requirements for making the Dean's List is a grade - point average ranging from 2.66 to 3.0 on a three-point scale.

Of the 107 students named to the Dean's List, 55 had a perfect 3.0 grade point average.

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The daughter, Mrs. Judy Elbridge, of Elba, is pictured with her mother.

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TIGERS ROAR PAST DALE COUNTY 26-6

The Elba Tigers' starting offense jumped out to a 26-0 lead with 9:10 left in the second quarter, then watched from the sidelines as the reserves held on for a 26-6 win over the Warriors of Dale County.

The win moves Elba's record to 2-3, while Dale County's chart dips to 0-5.

Dale County received the opening kick and moved out to the 36 yardline before Johnny Dyess pounced on a Warrior fumble.

Larry Phillips belted for eight yards on the first play, followed by runs of James Smith for 11 and 3 yards. On the next play Johnny Dyess walked in untouched to put the Tigers ahead 10-0. Cash's pat split the uprights, and with 3:21 left in the opening period the Elba lead was up to 20-0.

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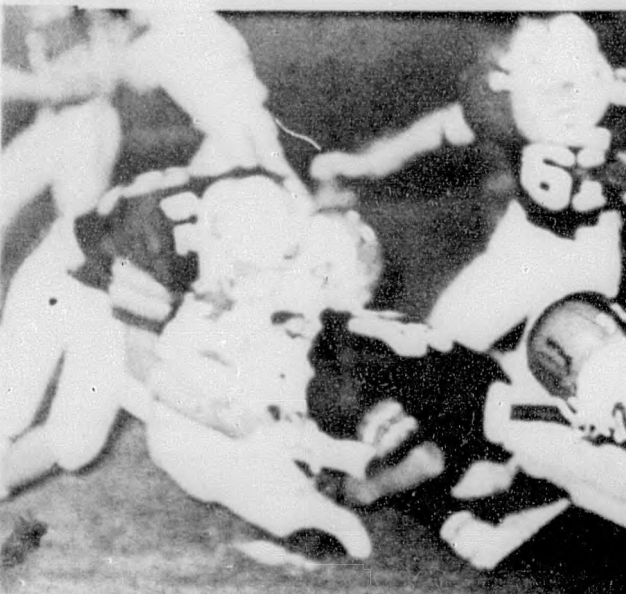
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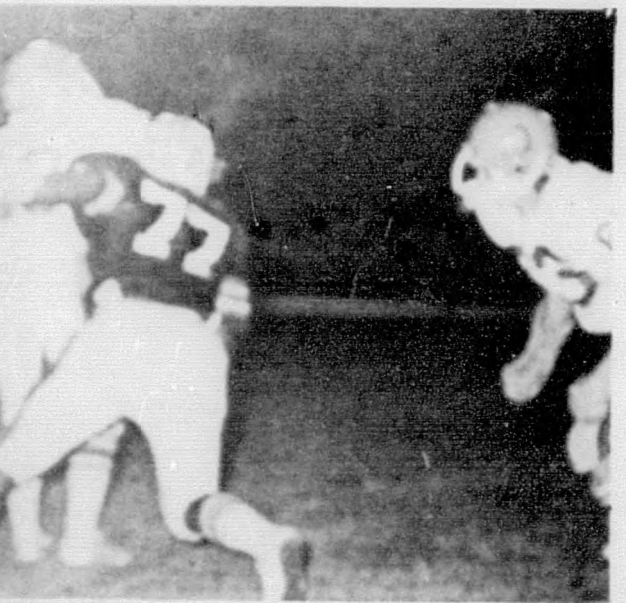
Stan Lewis (88) hauls in Fuller pass for 12-yard gain.



Teddy Vaughan (62) and Johnny Dyess (42) combine to stop Warriors' Taylor (45).



Max Fuller (12) sneaks for short gain.



Dwayne Morland (77) closes in on Warrior qb Frankie Dykes.

STATISTICS

Elba	Dale County
1st Downs	9
Rushing	95
Passing	50
Total Offense	145
8-10-0 Passes	4-11-2
Fumbles/Lost	2/1
Penalties	3-27
	75

The leading ground gainer for the Tigers was sophomore Johnny Dyess, who gained 81 yards in 16 carries.

Other rushers included Jimmy Marson, 7 carries for 49 yards; James Smith, 4 carries for 37 yards; and Larry Phillips, 6 carries for 36 yards.

Passing, Max Fuller hit on 3 of 4 for 88 yards, while Russ Cash connected on 5 of 7 for 60 yards.

In the receiving department, Steven Harrison caught four passes for 45 yards; Stan Lewis caught two for 44 yards; Teddy Barnes hauled in one for 44 yards; and Terry Barnes caught one for 15 yards.



Coaches Corner

"We're all just tickled to death to win!"

Those were the words of Elba coach Hinton Johns when asked about the Tigers' 26-6 win over Dale County.

"I thought our offense took advantage of their mistakes real well," beamed Johns, "and we were happy we got a chance to rest Larry Phillips, he certainly deserved it."

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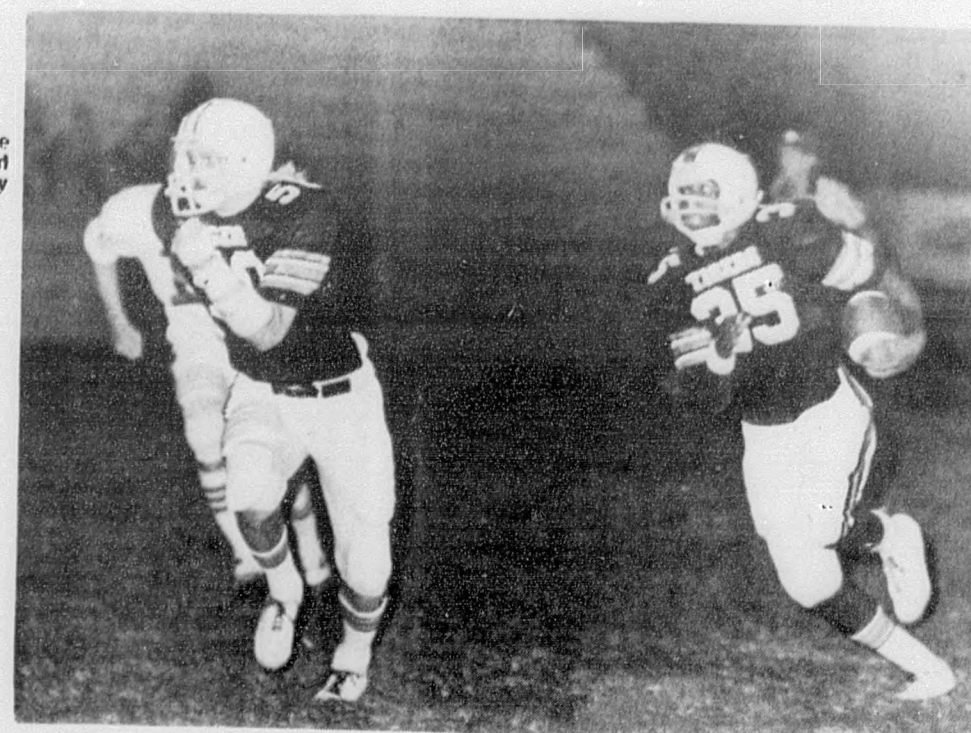
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Shane Bullard (52) leads Elba stand-out Larry Phillips (35) around corner.



Jimmy Marson (40) heads upfield for big gain.



Russ Cash (11) kicks extra point to put Elba ahead 20-0.



Larry Phillips (35) looks upfield after intercepting a pass.



Stan Lewis (88) pulls in 32-yard Fuller aerial to put Elba ahead 13-0.

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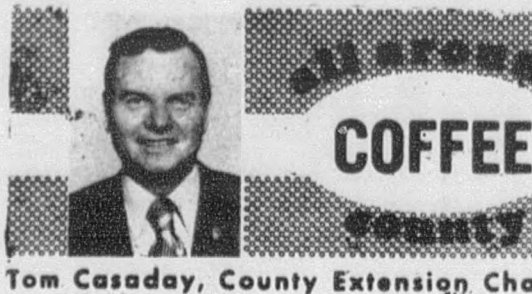
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COFFEE

Most of the corn in Coffee County is going to be hard to harvest. It is ironic that the best corn crop in history had to be leveled by the hurricane, but this is exactly what happened except in some few areas of the county.

Some of the producers say that the old snapper type pickers will probably do a better job than a combine. However, few of these are still spera-

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weather will also keep corn that is on the ground from rotting.

PECAN DAMAGE

Dr. T. B. Hagler at Auburn gives these recommendations for handling damaged pecan trees and orchards.

1. We think it will be best to wait until after harvest and after leaves have shed to root trees that have blown over. There will probably be a better chance of survival if trees are reset after they become fairly dormant.

2. Before resetting cut back the top, removing about 2/3 the length of all limbs.

3. Dig out a fairly large hole with back hoe or front loader so that the root system will be well below the soil surface after straightening the limb. Replace soil around roots and firm well. Avoid leaving air pockets.

4. After resetting brace trees well with stakes and wires if wire is wrapped around a limb, place a piece of water hose to prevent its cutting into the limb. Eye bolts can be placed in limbs and wire secured to the bolt.

5. It is difficult to determine just when any tree that has been blown over is beyond saving. In general, trees over 25 years old will be more difficult to save than younger trees. When only a small portion of the root system is still intact, when the roots are broken off close to the trunk and there is only a small amount of soil adhering to the root system, it is doubtful if the tree can be made to live.

CAUTION
For at least 75 years Alabama has been the dumping ground for very poor seed. For example, did you know that we have seed firms in N. Dakota trying to sell eye seed here in Coffee County? They are selling these seed for about half what certified recommended seed sell for. However, the varieties that they are trying to sell do not produce this far south. They are fine for North Dakota, but that is 1500 miles north of here.

Let me urge Coffee County farmers to plant only recommended varieties of rice, wheat and oats. If you can't get the recommended variety, I would hesitate to plant. Rice varieties we recommend are: Wren's Abruzzi, Gurley's, McNair Vita Graze, ACIO II, Coker 62-20 and Coker 68-15. Oat varieties we recommend are: Coker 227, Fla. 501 and Elan.

The year 1975 will probably go in record books as a very frustrating year for farmers. Massive floods on April 8 and 9 and the hurricane on Sept. 23 were certainly damaging and costly to Coffee County farmers. In the 167 days between, Coffee County farmers produced the best peanut and corn crop in history. This clearly shows that in crop production we can have a lot of troubles but if we get rains at the right time we can make good crops.

At the moment, I am hoping that we can get good, clear, crisp weather to complete the peanut harvest. Cooler, dry weather, or a sharecropper who is



COFFEE CONSERVATION

By: Hughes, Faulk, & Clark

DAMAGE TO RURAL AREAS IS GREAT. The high winds and heavy rains of Hurricane Eloise left many farmers frightened, amazed and even angry. However, most were grateful the damage was not worse. The corn crop was all but totally lost and the grain sorghum and soybeans will be affected to some degree. Houses, barns, chicken houses, grain bins and many other farm facilities were damaged or totally lost over most of the southeast corner of the county. Eloise cost Coffee County dearly, but everyone agrees that things could have been worse.

Carson Brunson, County Line Community, had a total loss of his three chicken houses. Dolan Barrett of Clintonville said his equipment storage shed blew into his adjoining field. Martin Sanders in Roten had several of his trees blown down but damage in the northeast did not appear to be as extensive as the southeast portion of the county. Erosion damage during the winds and rain was minor. In most cases the crops were

still on the ground and where the peanuts had been dug the residue protected the soil.

IMPORTANT
Hurricane Eloise could be an omen of what is to come this winter. Every inch of cropland should have some type of protective cover during this period. A cover crop is needed especially where peanuts were dug and the hay baled. There is nothing on the soil to hold it during the rainy winter. On the grounds where corn or grain sorghum was harvested the residue from these crops will be sufficient to protect the soil.

Winter cover is important behind soybeans and cotton as well, but some stubble exists that could help hold the soil. It has been emphasized to be a tremendous loss to the county conserving and protecting practices. With two floods and now a hurricane sweeping across our county in one year, a lesson should be learned.

We always have to be prepared for the worst -- not only in protecting our crops, but most of all in protecting the most important resource man has -- the SOIL.

he or she cannot vote in more than one community in the county. If an eligible voter has separate farm interests in the same county, special care will be taken to see that only one ballot is issued to that voter.

Now, most consumers know that the "price spread" on meat means the difference between what the farmer receives for a pound of beef or pork and what that pound sells for at the supermarket. But not everyone knows what this spread goes.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Economic Research Service, spread includes charges for transporting animals to packing plants, slaughtering, processing, packaging the products, and shipping the meat to stores.

Each activity involves expenditures for labor, energy, capital, taxes, and depreciation of fixed assets. Profits earned by firms and other costs are also included in the price spread.

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The recommended list of winter grazing and cover crops for 1975 has been released.

1. Wrens Abruzzi
2. Weser
3. Gurley's Grazer 2000
4. McNair Vita Graze
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6. Acco 811

OATS
1. Coker 227
2. FLA 501
3. Elan

WHEAT
1. Wakeland
2. Bluebell II
3. Coker 65-20
4. Coker 68-15

Now is the time to buy your seed. The prices are running a little higher this year, but there are many benefits from a winter cover crop other than conserving the soil.

Some of the benefits are:
1. High yield winter grazing
2. Adds organic matter to the soil
3. Helps hold moisture
4. Acts as a clean-up crop behind peanuts and soybeans
5. Reduces soil compaction during winter rains.

USDA Increases Interest Rates

The U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced the interest rate on price support commodity loans and storage facility and drying equipment loans will be increased from 6.125 to 7.500 percent per annum, effective October 1, 1975.

The change reflects the increased cost to the Commodity Credit Corporation of borrowing money.

The new rate will apply to outstanding loans on which applications were received on or after October 1, 1974, and to new loans disbursed on or after October 1, 1975. The adjusted interest rate on outstanding loans is in accordance with policy announced last October.

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Griffin Named October Beef Chairman

William H. Griffin, President of the Coffee County Cattlemen's Association, has been named the 1975 County Chairman for Alabama's October Beef Month Celebration.

This annual salute to Alabama's billion dollar beef industry is being sponsored by the 20,000 members of the Alabama Cattlemen's Association and the Alabama Cattle Raisers' Association.

"It is because of our 67 County Associations and dedicated local leadership that Beef has become one of the State's largest and most important industries," said Stanley Drake of Opelika, State ACA President.

Governor George Wallace, in a tribute to the State's beef industry, has proclaimed Oct. as Beef Month in Alabama.

E.H. Wilson, ACA Executive Vice President, said in addition to activities on the county level, there would be Beef Recipe Contests, fair exhibits, advertising campaigns, and education programs on all phases of Beef and cattle production.

He said more than 1500 supermarkets, grocery stores and restaurants will observe Beef Month with special displays and feature Beef during October.

"Cattlemen throughout Alabama are justly proud of their product and their contribution to the economy of the State," said Drake.

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HINT FOR THE HOME:
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2. There's no need to sit under a dryer with new styling.

3. Don't worry about over-employment. According to tests performed by Norelco on its Quick Dry 1000 professional type hair dryer, a user would spend only 73 cents a year if he dried his hair every day.

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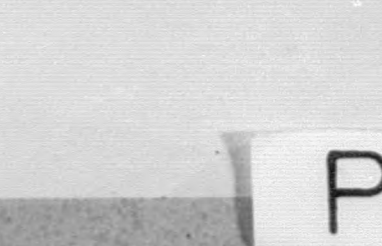
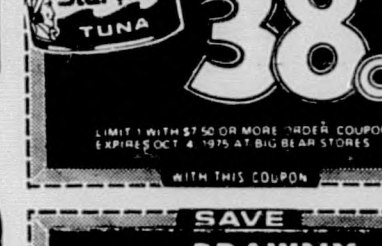
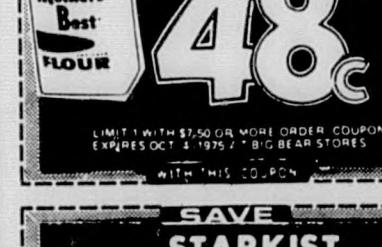
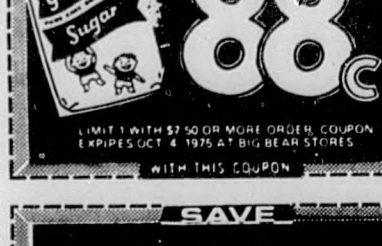
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Council Meeting Smooth County Named Part Of Storm Disaster Area

The regular meeting of the Elba City Council was held Tuesday night with all members present. The meeting lasted until after 11:00 p.m. but there was a sense of harmony throughout the entire meeting as a number of different issues were discussed and several people appeared before the council.

The first item on the agenda was a report from new Recreation Director Bo Dunaway. Dunaway gave the council a progress report, a list of needed repairs, and suggested some directions for expanding the program, including additional tennis courts and game tables in the recreation center. City Clerk Jack Prescott noted that the recreation budget was \$500 in the red at this point.

D. M. (Dud) English told the council of the status of the present Urban Renewal program. The City of Elba is operating with a \$40,000 grant in this area, and the first project is building sidewalks along areas leading to the elementary school. He also explained plans for the additional positive requested grants. These will be used (until the money runs out) for upgrading substandard housing in Elba. English explained to the council just how this program works.

Mrs. Mary Flowers met with the council and explained a new federal program on rental houses. This program allows owners of existing homes to rent to low income families, and funds from the program will supplement the rent up to a fair monthly rental. The utilities will also be paid by the program. Houses in this program must meet certain standards and be inspected annually by officials of the Housing Authority, according to Mrs. Flowers. Coffee County has been approved for 507 of these units with 220 of them allotted to Elba.

The council approved the drafting of a resolution commending all city employees for a job well done during the recent hurricane. The resolution will be drafted by City Clerk Jack Prescott and presented to the mayor and council and presented to each employee.

A short discussion centered around residential zoning or issuing permits for houses in areas prone to flooding in high water. It was explained that housing permits must be issued for each project and in such area the home must be above the high flood mark.

The status of the application for federal funds to construct a library for Elba was also discussed. The City of Elba has filed several applications with federal agencies during the last several years but none has borne fruit. The feeling at the council Tuesday night was that the grant would be forthcoming during the current fiscal year.

A request for extension of sewer line on North Morrow Street was turned down with the council saying it was impractical due to the necessity of an expensive lift pump.

Robert Cannon, J. Doug Kendrick and Mrs. Elzabeth Hornsby were appointed to the Board of Trustees.

He is a retired member of the Board of Trustees. Graduation will be held at 2 p.m. in room "M" of the Continuing Education Center.

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Dunaway Appeals To Pastors For Support

Recreation Director Bo Dunaway spoke to the Elba Ministerial Association this week. In addition to answering questions from the preachers, he made the following statements:

"As you know, I've been appointed recreation director for the City of Elba. As you might not know, that means the whole city, not just a part. We are open to all creeds, denominations, races and colors. The facilities are for all. Now, you may want to know what facilities do we have. Almost none. Of course, we have the two pools. We have the building and ball fields, including a tennis court and one basketball court at the field on the Troy Road. We have three or four other playgrounds scattered over the city.

"We have plenty of needs and very little money with which to meet our needs. Now, one thing we have had and may still have which we don't need, is a bad reputation. I have set out to change that, and after 23 days I believe it is changing. I want and intend to have a respectful place where your children, my children and our children can go to play and be safe. It must be that way or I'll just have to get run off by forces greater than I."

Washington—Elba Help Groundbreaking

Mr. David Hamill, Rural Electrification Administrator, Washington, D.C., left, and Charles P. Hayes III, are shown at ground-breaking ceremonies last Friday at Alabama Electric Co.-Op Tom-bigger plant site. The ground-breaking was for a new \$255 million dollar power plant expansion. Hayes is chairman of the Elba utility department and a member of the Alabama Electric Board of Directors. He was also a member of the committee planning the ceremony.

Governor George Wallace was keynote speaker at the event. Also speaking was Mr. Hamill who told the group of the many years he had served in his position in the great success the electric co-ops had had paying back borrowed money.

Hamill and Hayes managed to get in a few words with each other about the ups and downs of the cattle business, as both are currently involved. Hamill is an "out-west" cowboy who still refers to his best assistants in government as "top hands."

Construction of the new coal-fired generating units will cover a four-year period and is expected to employ nearly 1200 construction workers at the peak period, and filter into the economy via construction payrolls. The new units, which will add to the existing plant, will quadruple AEC's total generating capacity.

The gold shovel used by Hayes during the ground-breaking is on display at the Elba City Hall.



Tax Benefits Available To Storm Victims

Tax benefits are available to many Alabama taxpayers who suffered property losses as a result of Hurricane Eloise and the heavy flooding which occurred, according to Dwight T. Baptist, District Director for IRS in Alabama.

Special provisions of the tax law enable taxpayers located in 12 counties—Houston, Geneva, Coffee, Dale, Pike, Chambers, Covington, Barbour, Bullock, Marion, Russell, and Lee, or parts thereof, declared disaster areas by the President, to deduct disaster-related casualty losses on either the current year's return or that of the preceding year by filing Form 1040X, amended return.

The law covers losses of business property, as well as personal property, and extends to taxpayers who use either a fiscal-year or calendar-year basis to file their tax return.

A free IRS publication 547, "Tax Information on Disaster Casualty Losses and Thefts," may be picked up at the Birmingham office, 2121 8th Avenue.

Schools Name Committees For Accreditation

The Elba Elementary School and Elba Middle School have begun work toward accreditation by the Southern Association.

The following teachers and parents were selected to serve as the steering committee in conducting the self-evaluation for the schools:

ELBA ELEMENTARY
Mrs. Everett Kelley
Mrs. Helen Rainer
Mrs. Sammy Morrow
Mrs. Virginia DeVane
ELBA MIDDLE
Mrs. Maude Bruce
Mrs. Nancy Crowe
Mrs. Eric Crook

Other members of the faculty to serve with the steering committee are the following members:

ELBA ELEMENTARY
Mrs. Louise Bozeman
Mrs. Patricia Clark
Mr. Stanley Prior
Mrs. Genevieve Sweet
ELBA MIDDLE
Mrs. Addie Belle Martin
Mrs. Joanne Rainer

The steering committee will have the primary responsibility for planning and guiding the entire self-evaluation of the school including:

Naming the members of all committees.

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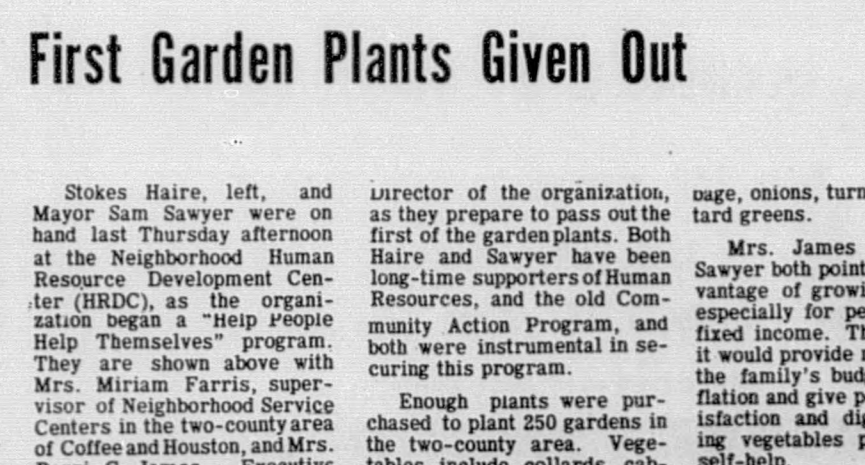
Faculty members, parents and pupils will be actively involved in this self-study.

First Garden Plants Given Out

Stokes Haire, left, and Mayor Sam Sawyer were on hand last Thursday afternoon at the Neighborhood Human Resource Development Center (HRDC), as the organization began a "help people help themselves" program. They are shown above with Mrs. Miriam Harris, supervisor of Neighborhood Service Centers in the two-county area of Coffee and Houston, and Mrs. Peggy C. James, Executive Director of the organization, as they prepare to pass out the first of the garden plants. Both Haire and Sawyer have been long-time supporters of Human Resources, and the old Community Action Program, and both were instrumental in securing this program.

Enough plants were purchased to plant 250 gardens in the two-county area. Vegetable tables include collards, cabbage, onions, turnips and mustard greens.

Mrs. James and Mayor Sawyer both pointed out the advantage of growing a garden, especially for persons on a fixed income. They noted that it would provide more food for the family's budget, reduce inflation and give people the satisfaction and dignity of eating vegetables produced by self-help.



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Eris Paul To Speak For Grads

Circuit Judge Eris Paul of Elba will be the speaker for graduation at The University of Alabama Law Enforcement Academy Friday (October 10).

Judge Paul received his law degree from the University of Alabama in 1957, and last May, received an honorary doctorate degree from the University.

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1,000 Families Ask For Help In County

Mrs. Lucille McMin, Director of the Coffee County Pensions and Securities, announced on Tuesday of this week that her office had signed over 1,000 requests from Hurricane Eloise victims.

The first time around these were needing a number of immediate forms of assistance, including food, shelter, clothing and household supplies.

During the period after President Ford declared Coffee County in the disaster area, 750 people signed up for relief from such agencies as SBA, Farmers Home, IRS, and others. Mrs. McMin reported exceptional cooperative assistance from the Red Cross.

"Fender-Bender" Accidents Hit Area

The Elba area has been flooded with a rash of accidents during the past few days, but none was classified serious to the occupants.

Elba police investigated a two-car accident Friday afternoon at the intersection of Putnam and Adkinson. The cars were driven by Jesse James Filman and James Burkett. Damages amounted to less than \$500.

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